

BRITISH RESENT
OPEN SEA POLICY

Assert That Open Sea Doctrine Menaces the Security of Their Country.

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but very few Britons are willing to take the risk of assuming in advance that the league would take the place of the British fleet in protecting their shores.

They believe that perhaps Mr. Wilson's scheme may work, but they point out that America is free to make the experiment and has nothing to lose if it does not succeed, while England, stripped of her naval protection, either through disarmament or through the curtailment of her rights of blockade and seizure at sea, must suffer the fate of Carthage if the league of nations does not work properly when she is attacked by a continental power. And nations do not take chances with new ideas, when they must perish if the scheme does not work.

My own view about the matter, for what it is worth, is that no settlement of the conflicting British and American points of view is possible at the peace conference. I do not believe that England will agree either to discontinue any part of her fleet or to go back to the declaration of London as to the old international codes of sea warfare. She will hold out for the right to do in the future what she has done with the full agreement, in its later stages, of the United States and all the allies, in this war.

The difficulty must be compromised, and while the far seeing vision of the president is no doubt correct, time must be granted before his aims can be carried out. If the league of nations is set up and fulfills the functions which he would assign it, disarmament at sea will, I think, follow disarmament on land, simply because tax payers will not pay for dreadnaughts and submarines unless they think they are getting their money's worth.—Copyright, 1918, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.

UNPUBLISHED CASUALTIES
NOW TOTAL ABOUT 60,000

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—Casualties, unpublished but officially announced by Gen. Pershing up to December 15, numbered 61,922, divided as follows:

Major casualties, including killed in action, died of wounds, died of disease and died of other causes, 12,907; wounded 61,922; missing and prisoners 210.

A large proportion of the 61,922 names listed are women patients having long since recovered and returned to duty. Officials explained that total is really less, due to the fact that Gen. Pershing's total included marine casualties of 1,202 killed and more than 4,000 wounded, which already have been published by the marine corps headquarters here.

MISS KELLY "OVER THERE." Word has been received by Miss Jessie E. S. McDonald, 901 North Florence, of the arrival in Paris, France, of Miss Katherine G. Kelly, who was sent overseas to the Red Cross nursing service. Miss Kelly lived here nearly four years. At the time of her assignment to the Red Cross service, she was chief nurse at station No. 5 at the court house.

What Will Be THE KAISER'S FINEST—Adv.

Lieut. Ronan Promoted
For Bravery In Battle

LIEUT. JACK RONAN of El Paso has been promoted captain for gallantry in action, according to word received by friends here. The promotion was made in October and was in connection with the St. Mihiel drive in which Capt. Ronan's organization took part. Details of the officer's exploits have not been received.

Before entering the army, Capt. Ronan was connected with the State National bank. At one time he was a Herald carrier. Upon his return from France, Capt. and Mrs. Ronan plan to return to El Paso. Mrs. Ronan is now in San Antonio.

Asserts Japan
In Full Accord
With The Allies

Section Of Japanese Delegation To Peace Meet Reaches Honolulu.

Honolulu, T. H., Dec. 28.—One section of the Japanese peace delegation arrived here today en route to San Francisco. The party included baron S. Makino and Gen. Nara and vice admiral Takashima, leaders of the military and naval sections. There are about 40 members in the party.

Another section, including marquis Saloni, who heads Japan's peace mission, will meet them in Paris. The marquis is going by way of the Indian ocean route.

Declines Interview. The departure of the delegation was held up because of the ill health of baron Makino. Baron Makino refused to be interviewed regarding the peace program outlined by Japan, saying it was improper, worthless and foolish to discuss the subject now. He did say, however, that Japan today is no less in accord with her allies and friends in America, England, France, Belgium and Italy than the day she entered the war on their side.

Seek Honorable Peace. "We are seeking to assist our

Capt. Cassidy
Invited To Join
General Staff

Morale Officer At Cody Is Asked To Take Assignment At Washington.

Camp Cody, Wyoming, N. M., Dec. 28.—Capt. M. E. Cassidy, assistant camp adjutant and camp morale officer, has been tendered a post at Washington as assistant in the allied relations section, external relations branch, purchase, storage and traffic division, general staff.

An inspector from the war department this week expressed the opinion that Camp Cody stood at the head in morale of the southern department camps, due to the cooperation of the commanding general and all organization commanders with the officer in charge of this branch of the service.

Before entering the army, Capt. Cassidy was allied with the great mining interests at Bisbee, Ariz., and is one of the originators of the term "100 percent Americanism." He is well known throughout the whole southwest.

Friends conclude a just honorable release, and if we can contribute anything which may bring about such a result as will enable the world to free itself from the burden of war, our mission will have been accomplished.

The local Japanese residents are entertaining the peace party tonight as they will resume their journey tomorrow.

2000 MEN LEFT IN CAMP
CODY; 50 GOING DAILY

The demobilization at Camp Cody, N. M., which has been going on for two weeks, has reduced the number of troops there on Friday to 2000, according to information from the camp.

The only units now remaining are the hospital corps, military police and the quartermaster department, all of which are necessary as long as convalescents remain.

The number of men to be released in the future will be 50 each day, instead of 100, thereby allowing the railroad company to meet the movement without the adding of extra cars to the regular trains. Most of the buildings that were erected at the camp have been razed.

FRANK FLETCHER FINISHES
NAVAL AVIATION TRAINING

Frank B. Fletcher, former secretary of El Paso Rotary, returned Thursday night from Key West, Fla., where he completed his course in naval aviation work. He received his first training at Boston Tech., being later sent to Key West for his flying course. His class have not yet received their commissions, but expect them daily as naval reserve officers. Mr. Fletcher will resume his position as manager of the Acme laundry. His brother, a first lieutenant in the army, is now in France.

LIEUT. JENNENS RELIEVED. Lieut. Hurl P. Jennens, medical corps, U. S. navy, retired, was relieved from active duty Thursday, and ordered to his home, 2418 Fort Boulevard, El Paso. He was replaced by Lieut. Amor McK. Jones, of the medical corps, fleet naval reserve, who has reported for duty at the El Paso naval recruiting station. Lieut. Jones came from the naval training station at Gulfport, Miss.

Dr. J. C. Dyer has returned from the army and has resumed his practice, 201 Mills St.—Adv.

Jones, Local Musician,
With Ammunition Train

ZOLLIE B. JONES, a local musician, is with the 109th ammunition train. He was trained in Camp Dix, and landed in France about two months ago. He is the brother of Ed. B. Jones.

Attention, Nobles

Stated session of El Maida Temple will be held in the Masonic Temple, Friday evening, December 20th.

1918, at 8 o'clock. Election of officers. Your presence is requested.

W. W. EVANS, Potentate.

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Germer Talks
About Duty To
Nation In War

Socialist Thinks Government Due Support If Criticism Is Allowed.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 28.—Cross examination of Adolph Germer, general secretary of the National Socialist party, was concluded today at the trial of five Socialist leaders charged with conspiracy to violate the espionage law.

Germer denied responsibility for many of the antiwar activities with which he is charged. He denied having read some of the pamphlets and articles published in the American Socialist and added that if he had known what they contained, he would not have been used. He admitted never having purchased Liberty bonds, but said he contributed to the Red Cross and other war charities.

Program "Not Pro-German." Germer expressed the opinion that the Socialist proclamation and war program adopted at the St. Louis convention and circulated in several languages, if taken as a whole, was not pro-German, but that it was intended that it should embarrass the government in the conduct of the war.

Do you think it is the duty of every loyal citizen to support the government in every possible way in time of war? asked the United States district attorney. "I cannot answer you or no to that," replied the witness.

Is that an answer to that question? insisted the lawyer.

"My answer is, yes, if the right to criticize is reserved," said Germer.

Tells Of Berlin Visits. Germer having stated that Victor Berger, one of the defendants, visited Socialist headquarters once a month, Mr. Fleming asked him what he talked about on these occasions.

"He always asked me to come down town to eat sausage and drink beer," answered the witness.

"Is that all you talked about?" pursued the lawyer.

"Yes, that is about all."

Witness said he visited Berger at Milwaukee several times a year. He denied all responsibilities for activities of the Young People's Socialist league.

Says Spargo Englishman. On redirect examination Germer said that John Spargo, who resigned from the executive committee because of his attitude on the war, which he claimed was pro-German, was an Englishman, a few years ago.

Letters from Spargo, in which he declared that he attacked the Socialist party since the beginning of the war has been "unneutral, un-American and pro-German," were brought into the case by Germer. He said that Walsh, Clarence S. Darrow and Seymour Steadman were present at a meeting of the executive committee of the national Socialist party in Chicago in July, 1917, at which the espionage law and certain literature distributed by the organization was discussed.

Wilson Thinks League Of Nations Most Important

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It begins to be apparent that Mr. Wilson believes that the peace conference should first dispose of questions which all nations have in common, such as a league of nations and their attitude toward future wars, postponing until later the effort to arrange territorial questions.

Nevertheless, one encounters much discussion of the subject of the peace conference, and it is evident that every delegation of the territorial questions. Admittedly the claims now being made are only the extreme ones with a prospect of resolution subsequently.

Like A Political Convention. Paris resembles close to a political convention. There is none of the open boomerang of individual claims, but much earnest argument is going on underneath the surface in an effort to canvass and marshal strength ultimately at the peace table on individual proposals.

The American delegation is just getting organized. Much confusion is natural in erecting a structure of such importance and housing the hundreds of officials, attaches and clerks. Mr. Wilson is taking a personal interest in many details of the American organization and is eager to see that the American correspondents have an uninterrupted channel back to America for all news.

No Censorship On News. The British and French governments have formally promised that there shall be no censorship of any sort on outgoing news or comment on the peace talks, because although they have a right to put in force such restrictions the fact that the American delegation stressed that the conference should meet in belligerent rather than in neutral territory in effect neutralized Paris in the means of communication to every participating people.

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Receives Promotion To
Lieutenant Colonelcy

LIEUT. COL. VIRON J. BOOTH, son of Mr. Nora Booth, of the lower valley, Lieut. Col. Booth was in the real estate business in El Paso and the valley when the call came to arms. He attended the first officers' training camp at Fort Sill, Okla., as captain. The following April he received his majority and recently was promoted to a lieutenant colonelcy. He has been overseas for some time in command of the second battalion of the 75th coast artillery, and is quartered in a historical old chateau in France.

Letts Plead To
America, Asking
For Protection

Declare the Huns, Retiring, Leave Country at Mercy Of Bolsheviki.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—An appeal for protection from the Bolsheviki was received by the state department today from the Lettish government through the American legation at Stockholm. The Lettish representatives said the German troops were not remaining to maintain order as the armistice terms permitted, but were leaving the country at the mercy of the Bolsheviki.

Have No Army or Police. During the German occupation, the Letts were not allowed to organize their own army, police or militia and the appeal declares that the Germans, in retreating, are carrying on the movement in such a way that small bands of Bolsheviki troops advance immediately behind them.

May Overrun Territory. The Bolsheviki are declared to be taking hostages, pillaging and levying contributions on wealthier people. They have reached a point about 50 miles east of Riga and, unless checked, can soon overrun Finland and Courland.

The Lettish representatives contend that the Germans purposely hand over territory to the Bolsheviki with a view of having the people apply to Germany for help.

Line to this principle of freedom of communication, but apparently it is the intention of the British and French governments to get subordinate officials to obey literally the promises formally given to president Wilson. American newspapers themselves can tell whether dispatches are tampered with and any evidence of failure to live up to the agreement will be welcomed by the American delegation in order that corrective processes may immediately be instituted.

Wilson Wants People Informed. President Wilson recognizes that success for a democratic peace depends upon keeping the peoples of the world constantly informed and waits freedom of expression for all currents of opinion, all shades of view and all kinds of criticism.—(Copyright, 1918, by New York Evening Post.)

LIEUT. PROSPER RETURNS. Second Lieut. C. F. Prosper returned Thursday from the army veterinary training school at Camp Lee, Virginia. He was honorably discharged as a result of the close of the war and was called in October. Lieut. Prosper is a member of the firm of Prosper Bros., veterinarians and proprietors of the El Paso Veterinary hospital at 2017 Texas street.

VISIT HEADQUARTERS. Col. G. W. Biegler and Capt. W. P. Hayes, of the 12th cavalry, registered at division military headquarters Friday morning on their way to Columbus, S. C. Col. Biegler relieves Col. E. Stokell, retired, at Columbus.

Survivor Of Tuscania To Remain Overseas

LIEUT. EVANS P. PETERMAN, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Peterman, of Yuleta, Texas. Prior to entering the army, Lieut. Peterman was government contractor at Fort Bliss. He received his commission at the second officers' training camp and was in command of an aero squadron on board the Tuscania when that ill-fated ship on the sixth of last February was sunk off the coast of Ireland. The life boats of Lieut. Peterman's troops were blown off the vessel, and after waiting an hour and 55 minutes they were taken aboard a British destroyer and landed in a town on the Irish coast. Later they were stationed near London, with the other survivors of the Tuscania, passing in review before the king. Lieut. Peterman was in the recent drive and has in his possession a German gun, captured during the drive. He will remain in the occupation army in Germany.

HUNS VIOLATE
U.S. WARNING

Send Another Appeal To America Alone; Considered As Propaganda.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—In spite of secretary Lansing's emphatic admonition that such communications must not be addressed to the United States alone, the German government has sent another appeal to the American government for modification of the armistice terms and for food. The receipt of the note was announced at the state department today.

Like Previous Pleas. It will not be made public because it did not differ from previous appeals and was in violation of the decision that communications must be addressed to all the governments associated with the United States in the war. The persistent appeals are regarded here as a part of propaganda by which the authorities at Berlin hope to escape some of the results of the defeat.

Alleges Expulsions From Alsace. Copenhagen, Denmark, Dec. 28.—Mathias Erbsberger, head of the German armistice committee, according to a telegram from Berlin, has made an announcement in which he claims expulsions from Alsace are increasing daily. Herr Erbsberger declares further that 15 persons recently have been arrested, including deputy Bechle, of Strasbourg. He says that Herr Bechle, chairman of the soldiers' council at Strasbourg, has been arrested and is being detained in a fortress near Strasbourg.

International Air
Conference Planned

London, Eng., Dec. 28.—The British air board has drafted articles for an international air convention, which will be submitted to the allies. It was announced today by Lord Weir, secretary of state for the air forces. The draft is accompanied with the suggestion that an international air conference be convened.

FIND PEACE TIME JOBS
FOR 84,284 IN A WEEK

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—In its first report on the part it is playing in restoring war workers and discharged soldiers to peace time industry, the United States employment service announced today that during the week, ending December 7, jobs were found for 84,284 applicants who registered. Women registrants numbered 17,250 and of these 10,664 were placed.

School teachers in Italy are poorly paid and overworked.

Curries & Co. buy Liberty Bonds.—Adv.

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6 lbs. Crisco.....	\$1.80	Beech Nut Peanut Butter (large).....	30c
Walnuts, Almonds, Pecans, 38c		No. 1 Table Peach.....	15c
Seeded Raisins.....	11½c	Dixie Peas No. 2.....	22c
Monarch Catsup (pts.).....	24c	Country Gentlemen Corn.....	18c
No. 3 Glass Jar Pumpkin, 14c		Lenox Soap.....	5c
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